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In re application of:

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MEMBER HAVING IMPROVED DURABILITY (AS AMENDED)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir.

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a one-month extension of the time within which to respond to the Office Action dated October 10, 2003 (Paper No. 11). Please charge Deposit Account No. 501300 in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the petition fee due pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) for a large entity. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 501300. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted.

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Examiner: M. Charles

November 1, 2003

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